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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Geoffrey Robert HAMMOND  
Serial No.: 10/597550  
Filing Date: 28.July.2006  
Examiner: To Be Assigned  
Art Group: To Be Assigned  
Title: CLEANING DEVICE

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**RENEWED PETITION TO ADMIT OATH & DECLARATION PURUSANT TO  
37 CFR 1.47(A), 35 USC 118**

This paper is responsive to the *Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a)* dated 12.November.2008 in the present application.

This paper also incorporates an appropriate petition for a two-month extension of time in order to permit for the timely filing of this paper and the attachments thereto with regard to the *Notice to File Missing Parts*.

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The applicant encloses copies of the following documents for consideration by the Office:

- (a) Copy of a *Combined Oath, Declaration and Power of Attorney* with respect to the instant application;
- (b) Copy of a US *Assignment* with respect to the instant application;
- (c) Copy of a letter dated 26.January.2009 addressed to Mr. Lamson Nguyen, of Somerset, New Jersey transmitting copies of the above identified patent application as well as copies of the (a) *Combined Oath, Declaration and Power of Attorney* and (b) US *Assignment* for his review and signature.
- (d) Copy of Federal Express tracking report, indicating receipt of the aforesaid letter at the last known residence address of co-inventor Lamson Nguyen on 27.January.2009

The undersigned respectfully requests recognition of the satisfaction of the requirements for filing of an application in the USPTO pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47(a), 35 USC 118, notwithstanding the non-cooperation of the named joint inventor, Lamson Nguyen, to sign the *Combined Oath, Declaration and Power of Attorney* in the application, and permit the successor in interest, Reckitt Benckiser Inc., the continue prosecution of the application in his stead.

In view of the foregoing facts that are believed to clearly establish that the documents requiring signature by co-inventor Lamson Nguyen were received at his last known residence address. As a review of the (d) Federal Express tracking report will show, the papers referred to in the letter dated 26.Jan.2009 were received as Lamson Nguyen's last known addresss, and signed for by a "G. Nguyen".

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The undersigned notes that that co-inventor Lamson Nguyen has had ample opportunity to review these aforesaid documents and to sign the same and enter into the application. To date, the undersigned has received no documents or other communications from Lamson Nguyen with regard to the above.

It is further stated that such behavior by Lamson Nguyen is wholly consistent with the circumstances of several further related patent application on which Lamson Nguyen was a named co-inventor. Reference is made to the documents submitted as "(e), (f), (g), (h)" in the applicant's prior Petition dated 01.October.2008, and the accompanying remarks.

The applicant, Reckitt Benckiser Inc., prays that this petition be granted to avoid irreparable damage, e.g., loss of rights to its patent application as well as potential loss of its rights to any patents which may issue therefrom as they are the inventors' successor in interest.

Favorable consideration of this *Petition* and return to the normal course of prosecution is respectfully requested. It is respectfully requested that the *Combined Oath, Declaration and Power of Attorney* be admitted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.47(b) wherein the inventor relating to this U.S. patent application cannot be reached.

It is further respectfully requested that all claims to priority rights be recognized.

Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time

The applicants respectfully petition for a two-month extension of time in order to permit for the timely entry of this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263 with respect to this petition.

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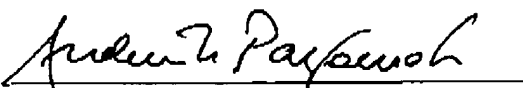
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Authorization to Charge USPTO Deposit Account

The Commissioner is authorized to debit any necessary fees which may be required to ensure consideration entry of this paper, and any of the enclosures thereto, to USPTO Deposit Account 14-1263 in the name of Norris McLaughlin & Marcus, PA.

Should the Office believe that telephonic communication would advance the prosecution of the instant application, or should there be any question concerning this paper, the Office is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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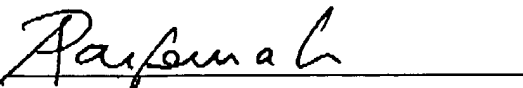
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26.January.2009

Lamson Nguyen  
278 Maple Ave.  
Somerset, NJ 08873

RE: US Patent Application based on PCT International application:  
PCT/GB2005/000343 directed to:  
*Cleaning Device*  
Serial No.: 10/597550  
NMM File Ref.: 102792-603

Dear Lamson;

As I have not received any reply from my prior similar letter to you dated 30.July.2008, I am re-transmitting with this letter a set of documents which relate to the above identified US patent applications which all relate to Project JETSON of which you are a named co-inventor. Please review these documents, which are:

- (a) a copy of the US application filed,
- (b) a *Combined Oath, Declaration and Power of Attorney* and a
- (c) *US Assignment*.

Please sign and date documents (b) and (c) of each set in permanent, non-black ink and return all of these documents to me in the enclosed pre-paid and preaddressed courier envelope. If you note any typographical in any of the documents (b) and/or (c), kindly cross out any error, and in the margin next to the error enter the correction and include your initials signifying ratification of such a change. Please feel free to keep a copy for your files, although I do ask that you return the original documents (b) and (c) bearing your original signature to me.

If you have any questions regarding the above or you need assistance with any of these documents please don't hesitate to get in touch with me either telephonically at (212) 808-0700 (... except for Thursdays when I am at the Montvale Technical Center) or by email at [anparfomak@nmmlaw.com](mailto:anparfomak@nmmlaw.com).



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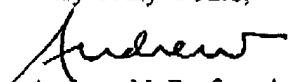
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I look forward to receiving these documents from you soon. For your convenience I enclose a pre-paid and pre-addressed courier envelope for your use in returning the signed (b) and (c) documents to my office.

As always, should there be any question or if we can be of further assistance please do not hesitate in contacting me directly.

Very Truly Yours,



Andrew N. Parfomak

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Attorney Docket No.: 2792-603 (11302P1 US)

**COMBINED OATH, DECLARATION  
AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which has been filed on July 28, 2006 in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as a 371 of PCT/GB2005/000343.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under title 35, U.S.C. §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor certificates listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application			Priority Claimed	
0403537.4	Great Britain	18/02/2004	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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I hereby claim to benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 (e) of any United States Provisional application(s) listed below:

US Provisional Application Serial No.:	Filing Date:

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, U.S.C. §120 of any United States application(s) listed below, and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information is defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge or true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements for made with the knowledge that willful false statements and like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Power of Attorney: As a named inventor, I hereby appoint

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as my/our attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

The undersigned hereby authorizes the U.S. attorney or agent named herein to accept and follow instructions from the Assignee of this application as to any action to be taken in the United States Patent and Trademark Office regarding this application without direct communication between the U.S. attorney or agent and the undersigned.

SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus PA 875 Third Avenue, 18 <sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10022	DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO: Andrew N. Parfomak (212) 808-0700
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Date of Signature:	
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Attorney Docket No.: 192-603 (11302P1 US)

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Inventor's Signature	
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Attorney Docket. No.: 102792-603 (11302P1 US)

### ASSIGNMENT

In consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned [hereinafter (collectively) named "Assignor"] hereby assigns and transfers to

**RECKITT BENCKISER (UK) LIMITED**  
103-105 Bath Road  
Slough  
Berkshire  
SL1 3UH  
UNITED KINGDOM

, a British corporation (hereinafter named "Assignee"), its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to Assignor's application for Letters Patent of the United States, Application Serial No. 10/597,550 filed on July 28, 2006, entitled

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and to Assignor's entire right, title and interest in any and all inventions, whether joint or sole, disclosed in said application for Letters Patent, and in any and all divisional or continuation or renewal applications that may be filed for United States Letters Patent for any and all of said inventions, and in and to any and all patents that may be granted on the foregoing applications and any reissue or extension thereof.

The Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents to issue any and all of said Letters Patent to said Assignee.

For said consideration, the Assignor hereby agrees upon the request of said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns, to execute any and all United States divisional, continuation and renewal applications for said invention, and any and all necessary oaths, supplemental oaths or declarations or supplemental declarations or affidavits relating thereto, and any application for the reissue or extension of any United States Letters Patent that may be granted upon said application that said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns may deem necessary or expedient.

For the said consideration the Assignor further agrees upon the request of said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns, in the event of said application or any division thereof, or Letters Patent issued thereon or any reissue or application for the reissue thereof, becoming involved in interference, to cooperate to the best of the ability of the Assignor with said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns in the matters of preparing and executing the Preliminary Statement and giving and producing evidence in support thereof, the Assignor hereby agreeing to perform upon such request, any and all affirmative acts necessary to obtain said Letters Patent and vest all rights therein hereby conveyed in said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by the assignor if this assignment and sale had not been made.

Assignor hereby binds himself, his heirs, legal representatives, administrators, and assigns properly to execute without further consideration, any and all applications, petitions, oaths, assignments or other papers and instruments which may be necessary in order to carry into full force and effect the sale, assignment and transfer hereby made, or intended or agreed to be made.

And for said considerations, the Assignor hereby assigns to said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in said invention or improvement for any and all foreign countries and agrees upon the request of said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns to execute any and all documents that shall be required of the Assignor to be executed in connection with any and all applications for foreign Letters Patent therefor, including the prosecution thereof, and to execute any and all documents necessary to invest title in said foreign applications and patents in said Assignee, its successors, legal representatives or assigns.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Geoffrey Robert HAMMOND

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Lawrence T. LEVINE

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